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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
19 CVS 012667

WAKE CO., C.S.C.

V.

ORDER

THIS MATTER comes before the undersigned three-judge panel upon its own motion pursuant to its inherent authority and discretion to manage proceedings before the Court.

On September 27, 2019, Plaintiffs filed a verified complaint in Superior Court, Wake County, seeking a declaration that the current North Carolina congressional districts, established by an act of the General Assembly in 2016, N.C. Sess. Laws 2016-1 (hereinafter S.L. 2016-1), violate the rights of Plaintiffs and all Democratic voters in North Carolina under the North Carolina Constitution. Plaintiffs seek to enjoin the future use of the 2016 congressional districts.

On September 30, 2019, Plaintiffs filed a motion for preliminary injunction, and the Court granted Plaintiffs' motion on October 28, 2019, enjoining Legislative Defendants and State Defendants from preparing for or administering the 2020 primary and general elections for congressional districts under the 2016 congressional districts established by S.L. 2016-1. Plaintiffs filed a motion for summary judgment on October 31, 2019.

In recognition of the significance and the urgency of the issues presented by this litigation, particularly the impending 2020 congressional primary elections and all

accompanying deadlines, details, and logistics, the Court, in its discretion, hereby ORDERS that the following schedule shall apply for the filing, briefing, and hearing of summary judgment motions:

1. Any party desiring to file a motion for summary judgment shall file the motion and a supporting memorandum of law by 5:00 p.m. on November 15, 2019, in the manner set forth in the Case Management Order.
2. Parties responding to a filed motion for summary judgment shall submit a response brief to the Court by 11:59 p.m. on November 22, 2019, in the manner set forth in the Case Management Order.
3. Parties who wish to submit a reply brief shall do so by 11:59 p.m. on November 26, 2019, in the manner set forth in the Case Management Order.
4. Any filed motions for summary judgment will be heard by the Court at 10:00 a.m. on December 2, 2019.

SO ORDERED, this the 1st day of November, 2019.

/s/ Paul C. Ridgeway

Paul C. Ridgeway, Superior Court Judge

/s/ Joseph N. Crosswhite

Joseph N. Crosswhite, Superior Court Judge

/s/ Alma L. Hinton

Alma L. Hinton, Superior Court Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon the parties by emailing a copy thereof to the address below, in accordance with the October 10, 2019 Case Management Order:

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